HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 127

By Terry

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Congressman Diane Lynn Black on her recent recognition by the Tennessee Federation of Republican Women.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are honored to recognize those individuals who dedicate themselves to serving the needs of this State and its citizens, committing their time and energies to improving the quality of life for Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, one such individual is Congressman Diane Lynn Black, a sterling and accomplished individual, a respected leader, and a beacon of inspiration to many throughout the State of Tennessee. Congressman Black was recently recognized by the Tennessee Federation of Republican Women for her many contributions; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Federation of Republican Women is a grassroots, volunteer political group that works throughout the State to promote Republican values and help Republican candidates gain election to office; and

WHEREAS, the first member of her family to earn a college degree, Congressman Black rendered sterling service as a nurse, an owner of a small business, an educator, and a state legislator before gaining election to Congress in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Diane Black has relied on her unique and dynamic perspective in representing the citizens of Tennessee's 6th Congressional District, and she is known for her dedication to her Christian faith and her commitment to fiscal responsibility, the enacting of market-based healthcare reform, and the returning of America to its founding principles of limited government and a strong free enterprise system; and

WHEREAS, a leader among her peers, Congressman Black serves on the House Ways and Means Committee, is a member of the House Budget Committee, and chaired the Ways

and Means Education and Family Benefits Tax Reform Working Group during the 113th Congress; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Black has also sponsored or advocated for a number of pieces of important legislation during her tenure in Washington, including the 2014 *Path to Prosperity* budget, the *Legally Binding Budget Act* (H.R. 1868), the Balanced Budget Amendment to the Constitution, the *No Budget, No Pay Act* (H.R. 325), and the *Health Care Conscience Rights Act* (H.R. 940); and

WHEREAS, Congressman Diane Black is an inspiration to all who know her, and her dedication to improving the lives of Tennesseans and her sterling service as a congressman are worthy of recognition by this body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby recognize Congressman Diane Lynn Black for her many contributions, applaud her tireless service to the State of Tennessee and its citizens, commend her on her recent recognition by the Tennessee Federation of Republican Women, and extend our best wishes for her every future success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.